

July 30, 2016

Utah Public Service Commission
Commissioners Thad LeVar, David Clark, and Jorden White
PO Box 14671
Salt Lake City, UT 84114-6751

RE: Docket 15-2508-01 Marian Seamons vs. Ticaboo Utility Improvement District (TUID)

Commissioners,

We, the residents of Ticaboo, Utah and rate payers of the TUID respectfully request your consideration and inclusion of this letter with the above noted complaint as a matter of public record.

As residents and/or property owners in Ticaboo, many of whom are: full-time year around residents; registered voters in Garfield County; tax payers; disabled; retired; living on fixed incomes; recipients of the utility services provided by TUID, and; have lived in Ticaboo before TUID was created, feel as though our voices should be heard regarding the complaint filed by Mrs. Seamons. Mrs. Seamons, and her family, are NOT full-time residents of Ticaboo. They do, however, benefit from the utilities that are provide by TUID. We feel it is unfair that Mrs. Seamons should be exempt from paying the same bills we all pay for utility services. Their attack on TUID is an attack that adversely effects all of us.

We feel that the cost for utilities are uniformly high for everyone who lives, or owns property, in Ticaboo. We also feel that it is fair, reasonable, and justified that everyone who lives, or owns property, in Ticaboo share in the cost of the utilities. It is unfair, unreasonable, and unjustified to expect only the active users of the utilities to pay for those services, while the inactive or standby customers pay nothing for the same availability of those utilities.

Many of us are willing to swear and testify that TUID has properly notified its consumers of public hearings and meetings of the Board of Trustees verbally, in writing, and via US Postal Mail. Those of us that attended the public hearing where standby fees were discussed did so because we were properly notified and wanted to be fully informed before supporting this issue. We have come to respect TUID for listening to their consumers and considering our opinions, and comments, into their decision making process, thus ensuring that all of their customers have an opportunity to be involved in the district. We feel that those who have complained do so because they do not want, or refuse, to pay the same fees that all of us pay. Some who have never lived in Ticaboo.

We know that TUID has not maliciously, or intentionally, tried to side-step the law and has done everything within their power to keep the utility cost lower than we know it actually could be. TUID has made every effort, above and beyond expectations, to keep us informed and notified. We do not believe that you, or others in this complaint, truly appreciate what TUID has done for our community. Were it not for the decisive and fair actions of TUID, and the board, we would be paying triple, or more, in fees than what we are paying now. TUID has fairly spread those costs among all who benefit from the services they provide and kept the cost of utilities more manageable for its consumers given our remote location and exigent needs. We believe that is the fair way to do it.

We implore you to stop these meritless and unfounded complaints from people who just do not want to pay their bills. We need you to see that we believe, and have confidence, in TUID and we want them to succeed for the benefit of everyone who lives or owns property in Ticaboo. We stand behind TUID and their efforts. Our utility services are provided better now than they have ever been prior to TUID.

If you decide to nullify the standby fees, the cost of electricity and the expenses to provide that electric service in Ticaboo will fall upon us few. Why should those who have refused to pay their bills be exempt from paying fees leaving 100% of the cost on us? That is not fair, reasonable, or justified when everyone benefits from those services.

Respectfully Submitted,

Residents and/or Property Owners in Ticaboo, Utah

PRINT NAME	SIGN
DAVE THOMPSON	David Thompson
HORI THOMPSON	Hori Thompson
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CORY JONES	Cory Jones
SYDNEY ISLE	Sydney Isle
JOHN WEIL	John Weil
TUCKER HOLMAN	Tucker Holman
JEFF WELKER	Jeff Welker
DENNIS SINE	Dennis Sine
WILLIAM BELL	William Bell
JIM BELL	Jim Bell
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